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House Resolution No. 3598

Whereas, Lindenwood University has attained considerable distinction as an Employer of the Year in Saint Charles, Missouri; and

Whereas, selected as the Service Employer of the Year by the city of Saint Charles and its Department of Economic Development, Lindenwood University has been led by university president Dennis Spellmann since 1989; and

Whereas, in existence for one hundred seventy-eight years, Lindenwood University is a strong and growing presence in Saint Charles where it contributes approximately \$300 million to the local economy with its five hundred employees, three thousand students living on campus, and nearly fourteen thousand students enrolled; and

Whereas, Lindenwood University has a \$125 million capital improvements plan under way culminating with a new performing arts center for which groundbreaking is scheduled for August 2005; and

Whereas, during the tenure of president Dennis Spellmann, Lindenwood University has added numerous buildings to its campus and drastically increased enrollment from the few hundred students who attended in the late 1980s; and

Whereas, Lindenwood University enjoys a long historic relationship with the Presbyterian Church which has helped to create a culture where value and character fulfill an important role at the school; and

Whereas, Lindenwood University provides employees with a health insurance plan, a retirement plan with matching funds, and full tuition scholarships for employees and their dependents:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Lindenwood University as an Employer of the Year by the city of Saint Charles through its Department of Economic Development and to convey to university president Dennis Spellmann and all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Dennis Spellmann, president of Lindenwood University in Saint Charles, Missouri.

Offered b	y
	Representative Joe Smith
	District No. 14
	Representative Carl Bearden
	District No. 16
	Representative Tom Dempsey
	District No. 18

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3598, adopted May 26, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker